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That my residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name

That I verily believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or joint inventor, first and joint inventor (if plural inventors are named below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought in the invention entitled:

**New reactor for producing low surface area high / low structure carbon black and simultaneously minimizing the formation of Grit**

the specification of which (check one)

- (X) is attached hereto  
( ) was filed on \_\_\_\_\_ as  
Application Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_  
and was amended on \_\_\_\_\_  
(if applicable)

That I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims as amended by any amendment referred to above

That I acknowledge the duty to disclose information known to be material to patentability of this invention in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56 (d)

That I hereby claim foreign priority benefit under Title 35, United States Code, § 115 of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate on this invention having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

Prior Foreign Application(s)

(Number)	(Country)	(Day/Month/Year Filed)	Priority Claimed
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I hereby claim the benefit under 35 U.S.C. § 115 of any United States provisional application(s) listed below

(Application Number)	(Filing Date)
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That I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, § 120 of any United States application(s) listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, § 121, I acknowledge the duty to disclose material information as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56(a) which occurred between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application.

United States Application(s)

(Application Serial No.)	(Filing Date)	(Status) (Current pending, abandoned, etc.)
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That all statements made herein are true to the best of my knowledge and belief and that all signatures contained herein are believed to be true and further that the statements are made with the understanding that the inventor is bound by the Code

liable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application of any patent issuing thereon.

I hereby appoint the following attorneys, with full power of substitution and revocation, to prosecute this application and to answer all business in the United States Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith and request that all correspondence and telephone calls in respect to this application be directed to Thomas R. Vigil, WELSH & KATZ, LTD., 120 South Riverside Plaza, 22nd Floor, Chicago, Illinois 60606, Telephone 8 (312) 635-1900.

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